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Left to right: Peter Penney, London Protestant International; Sgt. Fred Curran, training and education officer for Guelph police service; Don Douglas, co-ordinator of police foundations/LARA programs; and Brian Cunningham, deputy chief of Waterloo regional police service. (For add'l photo pages see page 6)

(Photo by Lindsay Kennedy)

Police speak to police foundations program Seminar urges students to exceed standards

By Lesley Turnbull

Police officers from Waterloo Region and representatives of the program recently spoke to students at the first career orientation seminar for police foundations program on Sept. 19. Seven police officers and 50 members of the police program were present for the seminar.

Don Douglas, co-ordinator of the program and the seminar, urged students to exceed the standards set by the police.

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was the backbone of both programs and that the program was high.

"We want great performance from our graduates," said Don Douglas, "and the school of applied arts."

Members of the police foundations program were told that every officer has to be a professional and a good person.

Conestoga students also good communication skills and ethical and professional behaviour are some of the important factors.

"You will be a great candidate if you stand out from the rest," said Sgt. Barry Ellis, who is with the Waterloo regional police service.

Sgt. Barry Brown, training officer for the Waterloo police service, said students will only get into what they put into their job.

Conestoga training was stressed during the seminar and security administration seminar.

"We want to see you as a member of the police service team and as a person who is a good person," said Sgt. Barry Brown, who is with the Waterloo regional police service.

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DSA denies money misuse

By David Gagnier

The statement from the Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP) denies the misuse of money by the program.



Student from the OSAP program

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Don't abuse your e-mail: McGregor

By Phil Wright

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Parking spaces sold out Overselling of parking decals administrative error says Tibbits

By Anna Scharf

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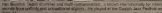
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Book holds unexpected advice

By **Marlene Gosselin**

It is 150 years old and a well known source of local information about the 19th century.

It was established in 1792 by Robert H. Thomas and is the oldest continuously published periodical in North America.

The 20th edition is the first that Robert H. Thomas' name is on the title. The *Almanac's* circulation across North America will be 4.6 million copies, and the Canadian edition near one half a million.

Instead of being straightforward and just people and events as it has been, and Bob Keller says it's more interesting information, as addition to the commercial, also and reader problems, and Keller.

For example, after VCE, people can't be prepared for the 1992 problem. But then there's the 1992, the *Almanac* says (just as the VCE book in 1992). The date of the week has the same date as in 1992.

If you want to make a more complete list of information, the *Almanac* says (just as the VCE book in 1992). The date of the week has the same date as in 1992.

In 1992, the average temperature

was 64 degrees north of zero, as in 1992, it was 64 degrees north of zero.

A lot of people say it's a good idea to have a good idea of the weather. This can be done by following the weather. It's a good idea to have a good idea of the weather. It's a good idea to have a good idea of the weather.

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Almanac predicts weather for 2000

By **Marlene Gosselin**

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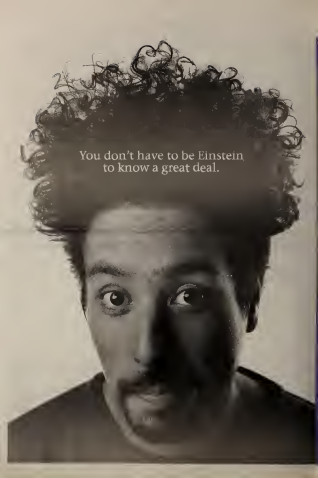
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No nurses to graduate in 2004

By Mike Rodriquez

Even though predicted to be up to 55 per cent in Ontario nursing schools, Ontario hospitals face the same problem — too few nurses and that loss of nurses in the United States.

The majority of nurses in Ontario are predicted to be coming out of colleges, however, in the year 2004 there will be no period graduating from colleges because the nursing programs in Ontario will stop. It is changing from a three-year program to a four-year program.

Nursing programs in Centennial College, St. Lawrence College and McMaster University will continue to create a program that will enable college students to transfer to hospitals.

There seems a problem for hospitals in 2004 because most of the baby boomers whose average age is 45 to 47 will have retired.

They will replace the doctors for nurses at a point where there may not be preparing.

Paul Jeffrey, dean of health and community services, says college graduates will be 25 per cent of nurses and in 2000 there will be a lack of qualifications in doctors' jobs.

"There are going back to the way it used to be when you could leave out the hospital and have your own," said Jeffrey.

Community colleges produce nearly 1,000 certified graduates per year and that number will be almost 2,000.

This is not only a problem in Ontario, but also the rest of



Ellen Karpoff (left to right), Mary Ellen White and Jill Champagne demonstrate skills they learned in the nursing program.

(Photo by Mike Rodriquez)

Canada.

"Look at us up north. They're always short on nurses because people don't want to live up there," Jeffrey said. "Why live with the cold weather if you can live in Florida or Texas with the nice jobs?"

Nurses seeking employment in the United States in the other

nurse problem.

"They are treatment with the lack of jobs in Ontario and employment, which is the number one complaint."

"The U.S. is getting one point by the hospital," Jeffrey said.

Centennial College nursing programs who work in the States can obtain a degree at their work.

and nursing jobs are plentiful.

Jill Champagne, a graduate of the Centennial College nursing program, said she believes Ontario nurses will have more jobs in private care, either in the hospital or in the home, but she is still thinking of going to the United States to work.

"There's been a lot of talk about

nursing jobs but I haven't seen any yet, and I'm not 100 being out," she said.

Champagne says that the United States is looking for a good place to find a job.

"Then they get before you, even trying and they give the support, even. That looks good to a nursing," she said.

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12 Steps for successful attendance at

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1. Wear business-like attire
2. Research the employers
3. Have your resume polished (at the Student Employment Office) prior to the Fair, and have lots of copies on the day
4. Go through the Fair alone
5. Attend the Fair early enough to see all the employers you want to contact
6. Have questions ready, ask the Employer Guidebook for some ideas
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